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PRESIDENT VISITS NATIONAL CAPITO FOR CONFERENCES

Wilson Meets Democratic Congressmen During Two-Hour Session.

THREATEN DEFEAT OF BILL FOR COMING VICTORY LOAN

Republicans Asserted in Attempt to Force Calling of Extra Congress Sitting.

HITCHCOCK DEFENDS LEAGUE

Claims Society Only Means of Maintaining Peace and Stopping Spread of Bolshevism.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27 .- Further imftant expressions of opinion on the resident Wilson in his conferences at Nebraska, chairman of the Foreign lations Committee, in an address to

PRESIDENT SPENDS TWO
HOURS IN CONFERENCE
President Wilson spent two hours at the Capitol conferring with scores of Democratic members of Congress, discussing innumerable legislative affairs, measures to expedite the work throngs waited patiently for a glimpre of Congress before adjournment next of the popular bride.

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of Congress bofore adjournment next Tuesday, patronage, and the league of nations and questions relating to his work at the peace conference. Throughout the President's stay, both Senate and House continued engaged at high pressure on their congested calendars, and much headway was made during the day. Ultimate failure of several important measures, however, still was regarded by leaders as almost certain.

From 3:30 o'clock to 5:30 o'clock a constant stream of callers filed into the the chief executive's private room off the Senate Chamber, while the President, standing throughout, gave and received suggestions on a multitude of subjects. At the close of the visit, the President received newspaper correspondents, and, with great freedom, discussed legislative affairs, the proposed constitution of the league of nations and his immediate personal plans.

During his conferences the President emphatically reiterated his determination not to call the new Congress in extraordinary session until he returns from France, and asked administration leaders to so inform the Republicans who were represented by the Democrats as determined to defeat the Victory loan bill and thus force an extra session. Leaders were urged by the President to pass that and all urgent appropriation and other measures.

PRESIDENT HEARS SENATE

On Billy Sunday's Trail

12:00—Important meeting of 12:00—Miss Saxe will conduct Bible class at St. James Episcopal Church.

12:00 to 2:30—Business women's luncheon in annex of Seventh Street Christian Church. Mrs. Asher will speak.

2:00-Billy Sunday will preach on "Who Was Jesus!" 5:30-Mrs. Ashen will speak at 6:00-Luncheon for business men at Y. M. C. A. H. H. Pitzer wijl speak.

8:00-Miss Saxe will conduct Bible class at Fulton Methodist Church. class at Fulton Methodist Church.

"Ma" Sauday, who returned to the cliy lust night, after an absence of three weeks, will be in her old seat in "the Sunday row," back of the press bok, at the services in the Auditorium today and tonight, and will be welcomed by Richmonders, to whom she endeared herself at the beginning of the Billy Sunday campaign.

TOTAL DEATHS IN WAR PLACED AT 17,500,000

British Empire and India's Losses Arc Given as 898,821 Lives

DISEASE IS FATAL TO MANY

More Than Three Hundred Thousand Lost to Italy, While Four Million Armenians, Syrians, Greeks and Jews Were Massacred.

deaths caused by the war plete summary of the world's casual-

include many deaths attributable indirectly to the war, but includes a mortality of 4,000,000 from influenza

The article sets forth the following interesting facts not commonly known:

Italy lost 300,000 from disease in the war rone, or three-fifths as many as her killed in action.

It is estimated that 4,000,000 Armenians, Syrlans, Greeks and Jews were massacred by the Turks.

One million Serbian civilians died through massacre, hunger or disease.

PRINCESS PATRICIA BECOMES BRIDE OF NAVAL COMMANDER

No Social Event Since Outbreak of War Has Created Similar Interest.

definitely declare that American, sover of eighty is not affected, while Senator Spencer, of Missouri, Republican, of Spencer, of Missouri, Republican, of Connaught and Commander Alexander A specific and a resolution proposing that the league be excluded from authority over "purely American questions," of Connaught and Commander Alexander R. M. Ramsey, R. N., were married at Westminster Abbey at noon today. No social event since the outbreak of the war has created such public interest.

PRESIDENT SPENDS TWO

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SUNDAY CHORISTER | SCHOOL TRUSTEES ATTACKS SCHOOLS

for Not Inviting Evangelist to Address Pupils.

Will Do on Trip Through Gates of Heaven.

Mr. Sunday's aermon on "He Arose and Followed Him" will be found on page 4 of this issue of The Times-Dispatch.

chools of Richmond for not inviting Billy Sunday to talk in the high schools of the city featured Homer A. Rodeheaver's talk from Mr. Sunday's latform last night at the City Audi-

laces where Mr. Sunday has not been

The doorkeepers got modest Billy Butterfield, custodian of the building, of by himself last night and in consideration of his building, of by himself last night and in consideration of his modesty, refrained from publicly presenting him with a hardwishop of Cannerbury. The bride entered the abbey by the Archeishop of Cannerbury by the bride entered the abbey by the calons of importance. Her gown was 10c, white brocaded the gover sliver lovers that a calons of importance. Her gown was 10c, white brocaded the gover sliver lovers that a calons of importance. Her gown was 10c, white brocaded the gover sliver lovers that a calons of importance is the carried a bouquet presentiate of the "Princess Pat" Canadian refigiment and tied with the regimental collection of the wind the "Princess Pat" Canadian refigiment and tied with the regimental collection of the carried a bouquet presentiate of the ceremony the register was signed in the chapel of Edward the Confessor. Then as the bridal couple proceeded toward the door, the Mendelsohn wedding march was played. A procession of the royal family and pers and peercesses followed, led by the Duke of Connaught and Queen Mother Alexandra and Former King Manuel of Portugal and his wife, who was formerly Princess Augustine Victoria of Hohenzollern.

PRESIDENT WILSON WILL

SPEAK IN NEW YORK CITY

Former President Taft Also May Be on Program for Tuesday

Night.

SPEAK IN NEW YORK UIT appropriation and other measures. PRESIDENT HEARS SENATE

DEBATES ON 300,000,000 MILL

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Rodeheaver Criticizes Officials Eighty Counties and All Cities of Virginia Represented at Conference.

"MA" ARRIVES UNEXPECTEDLY FAVOR COMPULSORY LAWS

Revivalist Explains What He Educators Back Governor in Move for Longer Terms and Better Pay and Buildings.

closing session of the Virginia

over eighty were represented by one or more district trustees, and all the cities of Virginia were represented. "he sendment of as conference of

FAVOR COMPULSORY

EDUCATION IN STATE The conference went unanimously on second as favoring compulsory education and the steps necessary to secure

Governor and Harris Hart, State superintendent of public instruction, who
explained the idea which he had been
trying to get across to the people of a
State budget for the schools of the
State budget for the schools of the
State formulated from local budgets.
"Get behind it at home," was the
slogan of the Governor in the matter of
financing schools and good roads. "This
is a period of centralization," he deciared, "but," he went on emphatically,
raising his voice, "I am dead against
it." He was applaud id.
GOVERNOR IN FAVOR

Governor Davis said that he believed in "home rule," and that there would be trouble if the idea of a taxation commission, which was favored by some of the school men present, was fellowed in adjustic, the matter of an increased assessment.

SIX MEN RIDE NAVAL DIRIGIBLE FROM NEW

Big Airship Stops at Washington and Encounters Strong Headwinds on Potomac.

(By Associated Press.)

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 27.—Lieutenant-Commander Bellinger, accompanied by three other naval officers and two iirst-class mechanicians, went to Washington today in the navy dirigible airship, the C-3, leaving Cape May, N. J., at 3 o'clock in the morning and arrived in Washington shortly after 1 o'clock. The party stayed in Washington long enough to see the parade of soldiers just returned from France, which was reviewed by President Wilson, and then journeyed to Norfolk. The dirigible landed at the naval air station at the naval base at 7:30 o'clock, and made a perfect landing hot withstanding the darkness.

On the trip down the Potomac the giant airship encountered a strong beadwind, which it had to buck for many miles, but the trip was completed without untoward incident. The officers accompanying Lieutenant-Commander Bellinger were Lieutenant Lawrence, Ensign Johnson and Ensign Ross.

RE-ENFORCE SWISS FORCES

Works In Planning to Form
New Cabluet.

WOULD REPEAL PORTION
OF WAR REVENUE

GENEVA, Feb. 27.—Swiss troops on the Bavarian and Baden frontiers of Germany have been re-enforced owing to unrest across the boundary. A dispatch to the Geneva Journal from Munich says the situation in the Bavarian capital is confused. The central congress, the dispatch adds, is demanding a Soviet government.

Dr. Withelm Muchlon, former director of the Krupp works, at a conference with the central committee, declared he would only work with Parliament. It had been reported he was to visit Munich to negotiate with the Socialist leaders with a view to forming a new Bavarian Cabinet.

All the aristocratic officers of the cavalry regiments in Munich have been arrested. Ball has been refused Prince Joachim, the youngest son of former Emperor William, and Prince Leopold off Bavaria, who are under arrest as alleged leaders of the monarchist movement. (By Associated Press.)

WAR DEPARTMENT ORDERS IN COURT-MARTIAL CASES

Commission of Sixty From Capital and Labor to Make Inquiry Into Cause of Unrest

BY WILLIAM J. BUTLER.
LONDON, Feb. 27.—Stirred by Premier Lloyd George's ringing cail for the same unity in the industrial world which won the war, thus preventing n "world catastrophe affecting America as well as Europe," Britain's industrial congress tonight took great steps toward averting a crisia.

In a motion by Arthur Henderson, backed by the Premier, the congress, which represents nearly every industry in Britain and more than 10,000,000 workers, voted the establishment of a commission of sixty members—thirty from labor and

between capital and inbor.

The government will appoint the chairman of this committee, which will report to the industrial congress not later than April 5.

During the afterpoon the Fremier was called from the congress to the miners' conference. During his brief absence from the industrial gathering, the fiery little Welshman swayed the miners' delegation and scored a point in having the national miners' strike postponed from March 15 to March 22, pending the report of the government commission's inquiry, in which representatives of the miners will participate.

lieve that this vote of postponement may avert the strike altogether.

problem is increased production, Lloyd George promised that the cost of food of the British workingman's home will have fallen by 2 shillings a week by the end of March, and 4 shillings a week by the end of April.

that peace preliminaries will be signed within the next few weeks the German signature—and only

unity in peace. Size us have the same unity in peace. Sir Robert Horne, presiding at the congress, declared unemployment was not greater today than in 1914. The government, he said, did not favor the establishment of national factories.

GILLETTE IS NOMINATED SELECTS A. M. PALMER FOR SPEAKER OF HOUSE AS ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Republican Conference Votes for Alien Property Custodian Is Nomi-Massachusetts Man to Succeed Clark.

LEADER MANN IS DEFEATED SUCCEEDS GREGORY MARCH 4

Illinois Representative Runs Second in Contest-W. Tyler Page Gets Clerkship, and Joseph G. Rogers to Be Sergeant-at-Arms.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27. Representative Frederick H. Gillette, of Massachusetts, was nominated on the first

airship encountered a strong find, which it had to buck for miles, but the trip was completed ut untoward incident. The of-accompanying Lieutenant-Comer Bellinger were Lieutenant ence, Ensign Johnson and Ensign

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ON BAVARIAN FRONTIER

statement:

"I have reache dthe goal of my ambition—a happiness which I suppose comes to few men.

"I feel the deepest gratitude to my generous supporters, but I have no tinge of hard feeling against any one. My ambition now will be to establish harmonious co-operation among all Republicans that we may cope successfully with the prodigious problems of the coming session."

OF WAR REVENUE BILL

Semiluxury Clause Would Be Remov by House Ways and Means Committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Repeal of the semiluxury tax clause in the war revenue bill, signed Monday night by the President, was proposed in a reso-lution approved today by the House Ways and Means Committee and later introduced by Chairman Market

nated by President for Cab-

served Six Years in Congress, and

Is Member of Democratic National Committee - Was Offered War Portfolio, but Refused.

hell Palmer today was nominated to

In 1998 he was elected to Congress, Soldier's life, or life Dower to take a of served three terms from the Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania District two within J. Esch, of Wisconsin, and one for Representative Frank W. Mondel, of Wyoming.

Immediately after the ballot was announced, the election of Mr. Gillette was made unanimous on motion of Mr. Mann.

NOMINATE OTHER

After a brief address by the successful candidate, the conference proceeded with the nomination of other candidates, for offices in the House.

W. Tyler Page, of Montgomery, County, Md., was pominated clerk by acclaimation, and Joseph G. Rogers, of Philadel, M., was mominated sergeant-at-arms over Representative William J. Cary, of Wisconsin, whose term expires March 4. Nomination is equivalent to election, as the Republicans have a majority of forty-five over the Democratis in the Nomination, made the following statement:

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RESUMES HIS DUTIES AT MINISTRY OF WAR

Walks Unassisted From His Automobile to Office and Is Looking Well.

PARIS, Feb. 27.—Premier Clemen-ceau resumed his official tasks today. He was at the Ministry of War from 10:15 o'clock' until 11 o'clock this morning.

morning.

This afternoon the Premier went to the Foreign Office, which he reached at 2:50 o'clock. He alighted massisted, walked into the building and was present at a session of the drafting commission.

MAN WHO FOUGHT UN FRENCH FRONT DEMANDS ACTION

Asserts Six Will Be Executed Unless Intervention Comes Quickly.

CHANGES ARE DEMANDED. IN SYSTEM NOW IN USE

Dakota, Assails Chief of Forces.

Representative Johnson, of South

FAILS TO RETURN RECORDS Declares It Impossible Now to Tell

Whether Penalties Inflicted Are Justifiable. WASHINGTON, Feb. 27 .- Represen-

ative Johnson, of South Dakota, the present court-martial sys

JOHNSON PROMOTED

FOR GALLANT ACTION

He was promoted for gallant conduct, and came out of the service a first lieutenant. He gave names and dates of scores of cases where he charged gross injustices had been done. "I would not inject this discussion at this time," he said, in beginning his speech, "but for the fact that I am informed that general order No. \$4, issued by the War Department in the last few days since the discussion of this question, ordered the commander-in-chief of the American expeditionary forces in France to return for revision all cases of men sentenced under court-martial in France in the American expeditionary forces.

"The commander-in-chief of the American expeditionary forces in France has absolutely refused to comply with that order, and has refused to send them to Washington on the theory that the articles of war do not provide that he shall be forced to make the return.

"I am informed and believe it to be the fact that among those cases which they refused to send back for revision there are about six cases where men are sentenced to death and will die unless some action is taken by this House prior to the next session."

ASSERTS TRIALS REEK WITH RANK LAWLESSNESS